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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Argento

) Group Art Unit: 3738

Application No.: 10/663,006

) Examiner: Barrett, Thomas C.

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For: METHOD OF IMPLANTATION OF A
PROSTHETIC HEART VALVE
15 USING A SUTURE TEMPLATE

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Dear Sir:

25 Responsive to the FINAL Office Action dated September 21, 2006, please note the following:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

30 Remarks/arguments begin on page 4.